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News briefs

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Mexican standoff continues

SAN SALVADOR

ATENCO, Mexico — A standoff over the appropriation of land for an airport outside Mexico City entered its fourth day Sunday as farmers who own the property toned down their threats to kill hostages. Members of President Vicente Fox's Cabinet met Sunday to try to resolve the impasse. About 1,000 armed farmers —the People's Front for the Defense of Our Land, have held authorities at bay since Thursday over the land dispute.

TWA 800 memorial unveiled

SHIRLEY, N.Y.—Relatives and friends of the 230 people killed in the 1996 crash of TWA Flight 800 met on a wind-whipped bluff Sunday to dedicate a permanent memorial to the victims. "I hope this special day finds you a little stronger, a little

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Rumsfeld says: 'Old ways out, New in'

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WASHINGTON — What dangers loom in the days ahead? How might future adversaries attack the United States?

Dealing with future threats will take more than just new, high-tech weapons, according to the top man at the Pentagon. It will take new ways of thinking and fighting.

"The ability to adapt will be critical in a world defined by surprise and uncertainty," Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld wrote in a bylined article in the

May-June issue of Foreign Affairs magazine. "As we painfully learned on Sept. 11, the challenges of the new century are not nearly as predictable as were those of the last."

As future enemies acquire weapons of increasing power and range, the defense secretary warned, attacks could grow far more deadly than those of Sept. 11. He said America's new challenge is to defend itself against the unknown, the uncertain, the unseen and the unexpected. To accomplish what may seem an impossible task, he said, requires putting aside comfortable ways of

thinking and planning, and taking risks, and trying new things.

Using the war in Afghanistan as an example, Rumsfeld said this first war of the 21st century showed that even the horse cavalry could be used in previously unimaginable ways. U.S. and coalition forces used today's laser-guided weapons, 40-year-old B-52 bombers and men with guns on horses in unprecedented ways to defeat a dangerous, determined adversary, he noted.

"What won the battle for Mazar-e-Sharif and set in motion

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Photo by Sgt. Reeba Critser

Official visit

Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul R. Wolfowitz answers questions about the state of the war from Coalition soldiers during his visit Monday to Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan. He also presented some deserving soldiers with his coin. See Wednesday's edition of *Freedom Watch* for the full story.

Executive order speeds citizenship

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BASE, Texas — More than 3,000 active-duty registered immigrant aliens can now apply for U.S. citizenship immediately, thanks to an executive order announced July 4 by the president. The executive order, authorized under Section 329 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, grants immediate citizenship consideration to noncitizen members of the U.S. military serving on active duty since Sept. 11.

"Thousands of our men and women in uniform were born in other countries, and now spend

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the Taliban's fall from power," Rumsfeld said, "was a combination of the U.S. special forces; the most advanced, precision-guided munitions in the U.S. arsenal, delivered by U.S. Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps crews; and the courage of valiant, one-legged Afghan fighters on horseback."

The secretary does not suggest, however, that the Afghan combination is a model for the future.

"The lesson from the Afghan experience is not that the U.S. Army should be stockpiling saddles," he said. "Rather, it is that preparing for the future will require new ways of thinking and the development of forces and capabilities that can adapt quickly to new challenges and unexpected circumstances."

Even before al Qaeda ter-

liners as weapons, he said, U.S. defense officials were forming a new strategy for the new security environment. They had moved away from the two-major-theater war approach that called for, he wrote, "maintaining two massive occupation forces capable of marching on and occupying the capitals of two aggressors at the same time and changing their regimes."

rorists employed American jet-

Instead, he said, they decided to focus on "deterrence in four critical theaters, backed by the ability to swiftly defeat two aggressors at the same time, with the option for one counteroffensive to occupy an aggressor's capital and replace its regime." By no longer maintaining a second occupation force, he said, resources could be freed for the future and for other lesser, current contin-

gencies.

Defense officials also moved away from the Cold War era threat-based strategy to adopt a capabilities-based approach. Rather than focus on who might threaten us or where, Rumsfeld said, defense leaders began to look at how the nation might be threatened and how to deter and defend against such threats.

Rumsfeld compared the change in strategy to a homeowner dealing with burglars. "You cannot possibly know who wants to break into your home, or when, but you do know how they might try to get in," he said. "You know they might try to pick your lock, so you need a good, solid deadbolt on your front door."

The same logic holds true for national defense, he said. Defense officials need to examine the nation's vulnerabilities rather than build armed forces to fight a certain enemy.

The nation must prepare to defend against attacks on U.S. space assets and information networks as well as attacks by cruise and ballistic missiles and nuclear, chemical and biological weapons. The nation must also build up its power-projection abilities, precision strike weapons and space, intelligence and undersea warfare capabilities.

America's men and women in uniform are doing a brilliant job, Rumsfeld concluded.

"The best way we can show our appreciation is to make sure they have the resources, the capabilities and the innovative culture not only to win today's war, but to deter and, if necessary, defeat the aggressors we will surely face in the dangerous century ahead."

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each day in honorable service to their adopted land," said President Bush.

"Many of them are still waiting for the chance to become American citizens because of the waiting period for citizenship. These men and women love our country. They show it in their daily devotion to duty. Out of respect for their brave service in this time of war, I have signed an executive order allowing them an immediate opportunity to petition for citizenship in the United States of America."

Previously, noncitizen members of the military in peacetime could apply to become citizens after three years of service, instead of the usual five years for civilians. Local military personnel flights can assist individuals in preparing their citizenship applications."



Photo by Pfc. Jason B. Baker

Mortars!

Pfc. Lewis Richardson and Pfc. Dennis Rowe, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 505th PIR, check the settings on a 81mm mortar tubes while guarding Khandahar Airfield.

HIND SIGHT

1945

The U.S. government conducts the first atomic explosion, code-named "Trinity," near Alamogordo, New Mexico, less than a month before dropping similar devices on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan.

1951

J. D. Salinger's novel *Catcher in the Rye*, panned the previous day in the *New York Times*, is published.

1988

At the U.S. Olympic Trials in Indianapolis, Florence Griffith Joyner runs the 100 meters in 10.49 seconds, shattering Evelyn Ashford's women's world record of 10.76.

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happier, a little more secure in the faith that those who live on in our hearts are never truly gone," Gov. George Pataki told the hundreds gathered at Smith Point Park on Long Island's south shore. The bluff is the nearest point of land to where the plane went down July 17, 1996, and overlooks a beach where debris washed ashore. The black granite memorial, designed by architect David Busch, has a gray wave and 230 gray doves on one side and the names of the victims inscribed on the other. The Paris-bound Boeing 747 exploded in a fireball at 13,700 feet, minutes after leaving John F. Kennedy International Airport.

'Men in Black II' tops box-office weekend

LOS ANGELES, Calif.— Tom Hanks was outgunned by Tommy Lee Jones and Will Smith. "Men in Black II," with Jones and Smith saving the Earth from aliens, was the No. 1 movie for a second weekend, grossing \$25 million to push its 12-day total to \$133.3 million, according to studio estimates Sunday. "Road to Perdition," starring Hanks as a Depression-era hit man who's an artist with a tommy gun, debuted in second place with \$22.1 million, although it played in only half as many theaters as "Men in Black II." "Road to Perdition" already is receiving Academy Awards buzz for Hanks, co-star Paul Newman and filmmaker Sam Mendes.

Local weather

TWO-DAY REGIONAL WEATHER REPORT:

Bagram: Partly cloudy Partly cloudy

H: 91F H: 93F L: 72F L: 72F

Khandahar: Haze Haze

H: 108F H: 104F L: 77F L: 73F

Kabul: Partly cloudy Partly cloudy

H: 86F H: 88F L: 68F L: 66F

<u>Uzbekistan</u>: Clear Clear

H: 102F H: 102F L: 71F L: 71F

Weather forecast courtesy of the Bagram Combat Weather Team

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COALITION SPORTSZONE

The Day in Sports

West wins again; Leslie captures third WNBA All-Star MVP trophy

1. I. Suzuki, Sea

Lisa Leslie scored 13 of her 18 points in the second half and earned her third All-Star MVP trophy, leading the Western Conference to an 81-76 victory over the East.

The West has won all four all-star games, and Leslie has been MVP every time except once.

2002 Major League Stats

.357

31

83

Batting Average

| 2. M. Sweeney, KC | .352 |
|----------------------|------|
| 3. L. Walker, Col | .344 |
| 4. B. Bonds, SF | .342 |
| 5.L. Castillo, Fla | .340 |
| 6.T. Helton, Col | .338 |
| 7. J. Kent, SF | .336 |
| 8. J. Vidro, Mon | .326 |
| 9. J. Spivey, Arz | .325 |
| 10. P. Konerko, CWS | .325 |
| 11. V. Guerrero, Mon | .321 |

Home runs

1. A. Rodriguez, Tex

1. L. Berkman, Hou

| 8 , | |
|---------------------|----|
| 2. S. Sosa, CHC | 29 |
| 2. L. Berkman, Hou | 29 |
| 4. B. Bonds, SF | 27 |
| 4. J. Thome, Cle | 27 |
| 4. S. Green, LA | 27 |
| 7. B. Giles, Pit | 25 |
| 8. P. Burrell, Phi | 24 |
| 9. J. Giambi, NYY | 23 |
| 9. V. Guerrero, Mon | 23 |
| 10.A. Soriano, NYY | 23 |

Runs Batted In

| 2. A. Rodriguez, Tex | 80 |
|------------------------|----|
| 3. P. Konerko, CHW | 74 |
| 4. J. Giambi, NYY | 73 |
| 5. S. Green, LA | 69 |
| 6. L. Walker, Col | 68 |
| 6. N. Garciaparra, Bos | 68 |
| 6. P. Burrell, Phi | 68 |
| 9. G. Anderson, Ana | 67 |
| 9. M. Tejada, Oak | 67 |
| 10.M. Ordonez, CHW | 67 |

2002 Major League standings

| American League l | East | GB |
|-------------------|------------|------|
| N.Y. Yankees | 57-35 .626 | - |
| Boston | 53-37 .596 | 3 |
| Baltimore | 44-46 .483 | 12 |
| American League | GB | |
| Minnesota | 54-40 .574 | - |
| Chicago (AL) | 44-50 .468 | 10 |
| Cleveland | 42-49 .462 | 10.5 |
| American League | West | GB |
| Seattle | 58-35 .624 | - |
| Anaheim | 53-38 .582 | 4 |
| Oakland | 54-39 .581 | 4 |
| National League E | ast | GB |
| Atlanta | 58-35 .624 | - |
| Montreal | 48-44 .522 | 9.5 |
| N.Y. Mets | 46-46 .500 | 11.5 |
| National League C | Central | GB |
| St. Louis | 49-39 .557 | - |
| Cincinnati | 48-44 .522 | 3 |
| Houston | 44-47 .484 | 6.5 |
| National League V | Vest | GB |
| Los Angeles | 55-37 .598 | - |
| Arizona | 54-37 .593 | 0.5 |
| San Francisco | 52-39 .571 | 2.5 |
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Monday

Kansas City 8-6 Texas Baltimore 6-5 Seattle Cleveland 7-1 Chicago (AL) Detroit 4-3 Boston Toronto 8-5 N.Y. Yankees Philadelphia 11-8 Montreal N.Y. Mets 8-3 Florida Oakland 4-0 Tampa Bay Cincinnati 2-0 Milwaukee Minnesota 10-8 Anaheim Chicago 3-2 Atlanta Pittsburgh 5-4 Houston Kansas City 6-4 Texas, Btm. 7 Colorado 1-0 San Diego, Top 5 St. Louis 2-0 Los Angeles, Top 4 San Francisco 4-1 Arizona, Btm. 2

Tuesday

Texas at Kansas City
Seattle at Baltimore
Chicago Sox at Cleveland
Boston at Detroit
NY Yankees at Toronto
Philadelphia at Montreal
Florida at NY Mets
Oakland at Tampa Bay
Cincinnati at Milwaukee
Anaheim at Minnesota
Atlanta at Chicago Cubs
Pittsburgh at Houston
Colorado at San Diego
St. Louis at Los Angeles
Arizona at San Francisco